

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration of this patent application is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments, and the following remarks. Claims 14-27 are in the application. Claims 1-13 have been canceled. Claims 14-24, 26 and 27 have been amended. The Abstract has been replaced. No new matter has been added.

The Examiner objected to the Abstract. Applicant submits herewith a new Abstract. The Examiner rejected the claims under 35 U.S.C. §112 for being indefinite. Applicant has amended claims 14-24, 26 and 27 accordingly. The claims have also been amended to remove the reference numerals and to further clarify the invention. No new matter has been added.

Claims 14-21, 24 and 25 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Streicher in view of Baumann. Applicant respectfully traverses.

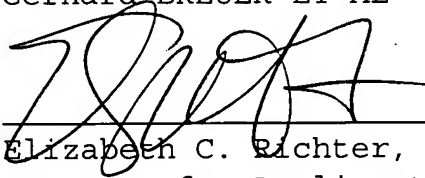
The present invention claims an insert made of wear-resistant material on a surface of the piston footplate which is

in contact with the circumferential surface of the running roller. Contrary to the Examiner's assertions, FIG. 2 of Streicher does not show an insert in the disk-shaped contact section (16) or in the outer circumferential surface of the travel bushing (8). FIG. 2 shows that the disk-shaped contact section (16) is in direct contact with the outer circumferential surface of the travel bushing (8) and that the travel bushing is bearing-supported on an eccentrically embodied shaft section (6) of a drive shaft (4). The bearing between the travel bushing (8) and the eccentrically embodied shaft section (6) in Streicher is a plain bearing insert (not numbered) as in FIG. 1 of the present application, which is shown between drive shaft 4 and running roller 8 in FIG. 1. This bearing has nothing to do with an insert disposed on surface of the piston footplate which is in contact with the circumferential surface of the running roller.

Therefore, Streicher does not show a surface of the piston footplate which is in contact with the circumferential surface of the running roller having at least one insert made from a wear-resistant material, as claimed in claim 14 of the present application. This feature is not taught or suggested by Baumann

either. Accordingly, Applicant submits that claims 14-21 and 24-27 are patentable over the cited references, taken either singly or in combination. Early allowance of the amended claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,
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